

MICHIGAN AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMUNITY FIVE YEAR ACTION PLAN	
WORKGROUP NAME:	Neighborhood Revitalization and Community Development
DATE:	08/24/2005

WORKGROUP STATUS UPDATES
<p style="text-align: center;">Brainstorming – issues and questions</p> <p>Articulate a vision Legislative/policy – Fund a dedicated revenue stream Define the problem – are we talking about housing or all community issues Preservation is a part of revitalization What causes neighborhood viability What is the role of housing in community development A strategic issue could be high poverty concentration MSU Urban Institute and the Census Bureau have statistics to define “unhealthy” communities. All data from the Urban Institute based on census tracts.</p> <p>Subcommittees established:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive neighborhood revitalization • Improving the alignment and coordination of resources • Creating sustainable neighborhoods <p style="text-align: center;">Comprehensive neighborhood revitalization subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define factors needed for a “healthy neighborhood” or conversely, factors contributing to an unhealthy neighborhood • Case studies and/or impact of institutions (i.e., universities, hospitals) <p style="text-align: center;">Improving alignment and coordination of resources subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both within state and government and also private, philanthropic and local resources) • Cool cities – what’s working and what’s not working • Recommend policies that will facilitate the alignment and coordination of resources <p style="text-align: center;">Creating sustainable neighborhoods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable neighborhoods are those requiring very shallow or little subsidy to create a market but rather subsidy to insure affordable housing • Impact of institutions (same as in Comprehensive neighborhood revitalization subcommittee) <p>Due October 11, 2005 – report on research findings and assemble a list of critical issues. Next meeting September 7, 9 a.m.</p>